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Statewide projects improve library service

The Library Services and Technology Act has both simplified procedures and expanded possibilities for federally funded projects. The FY2001 statewide projects, approved by the Secretary's Council on Library Development on June 11, will reach all types of libraries and encourage improvement of local services. They include:

Continuing Education and Training: \$175,000

This project includes several components: a summer institute, which provides basic training in library skills and advanced skills for those who do not have library degrees; Show-Me Steps to Career Development, a scholarship program which enables library staff to attend training events and conferences with some match from local institutions; and the Leadership Academy, a joint effort with the University of Missouri library school to provide training for those who have the potential to become directors of libraries. Also funded are two regular training sessions in spring and fall for library staff who work in youth services and twice yearly meetings on literacy needs, open to librarians and literacy providers. The State Library reserves \$4,500 to purchase workshop-related materials used in conjunction with various programs and \$40,000 for projects designed by consultants in the Library Development Division to meet current issues and needs.

Public Library Standards Implementation: \$95,000

The Missouri Public Library Standards have been printed and distributed to public libraries and library trustees. The first phase of implementation includes those standards

which do not cost money at the local level. This provides for helping libraries write policies and service plans such as collection development plans. Workshops will be scheduled to assist libraries in these tasks. For this pilot year, grants will be offered for up to \$15,000 per library to develop plans. Planning grants can be used for community meetings and focus groups, meeting facilitators, and expert assistance in plan development.

Library Trustee Education Program: \$62,000

This program will offer regional training, a trustee handbook, and materials that can be used at local board meetings. Library trustees will be recruited to serve as trustee leaders to provide local training for nearby libraries.

Librarianship Knowledge Bank: \$55,000

The combined expertise of librarians and other practitioners in Missouri represents a great untapped asset for development of the state's library services. This two-part program will enable libraries to receive specialized help when State Library consultants are not able to give help in a particular subject area or under time constraints. The first part is Libraries Helping Libraries, which underwrites the cost of a local library providing expertise to another library. The new part is Bring in an Expert, which will offer grants up to \$5,000 per library to hire an expert for up to two days of on-site consultation. This program will give the library the opportunity to identify an expert to match its unique needs, with approval from the State Library. The program will be

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Family Nights at the Library reopened

In the past five years, many Missouri libraries have enjoyed the Family Nights at the Library program funded by the State Library. Family Nights pairs the local library



with a community partner to bring children and their parents to the library for three literacy-related events and free books. Until now, libraries could

use State Library funding for only one series of Family Nights events. From July 1, 2000 until June 30, 2003, the program is again open to all public libraries in the state. During this time, public libraries may apply for one round of Family Nights and one round of seed money for locally produced Family Nights whether or not they have already participated in the program.

Money for the program is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis. Amounts that may be reimbursed for books and production costs have been raised to accommodate rising book prices. Additional information and application forms for this new round of Family Nights are available from Karen Jones, the State Library's literacy consultant. She can be reached by phone at 800-325-0131, ext. 11 or 573-751-0158, by e-mail at jonesk@sosmail.state.mo.us, by fax at 573-751-3612, and by mail at PO Box 387, 600 W. Main, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0387.

Missouri books emphasized in new Wolfner program

Wolfner Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped is starting a recording program for Missouri books. This will include books about Missouri and by Missourians. A policy for selecting materials to record has been written, and several people have volunteered to serve on a selection committee. Auditions will be required for readers, who will be evaluated by an audition committee.

Wolfner serves as a regional library for the National Library Service (NLS) through the Library of Congress. The NLS records books of national interest and sets guidelines to be used by regional libraries in their recording programs. If these rigorous standards are met, Wolfner can make the materials recorded here available to other regional libraries. NLS guidelines require studio recording using three people: narrators, monitors, and reviewers. Wolfner does not have its own recording studio, so different levels of recording are anticipated.

Some volunteers will record in their homes. A Wolfner manual for home recording is being updated, and new recorders have been ordered. Sound booths at the Kansas City Low Vision Library are being used to record children's books. Those booths use regular tape recorders to record books, rather than reel-to-reel recording; they are not set up to use monitors and reviewers as the NLS program requires. However, good quality tapes have resulted from the use of these booths. So far, volunteers have recorded *Potato: A Tale From the Great Depression* by Kate Lied and *The Lighthouse Keeper's Daughter* by Arielle North Olson. The Mark Twain Award nominee books for next year are also being recorded in Kansas City.

Wolfner's coordinator of volunteers, Deborah Stroup, is working on a Service-Learning project with Holman Elementary School in the Ferguson-Florissant School District. Its students will be recording the Show Me Award books for primary students. Only two of 10 books are going to be recorded by the NLS. The students, who are middle-school age, will record the Show Me Award books, using Wolfner's specifications.

Stroup says, "If this project works as well as anticipated, it will be used as a pilot for implementation in other Missouri schools. We believe the project will benefit the children who do the recording as well as those



children who cannot read print materials.”

Recording studios are the major program needs at this point, according to Stroup. Several Missouri colleges have been approached about the possibility of recording books in their facilities. So far, Webster College and Central Missouri State University have offered their facilities. “We hope

to have studios all over the state in which to record books,” Stroup says. “We would need studio time and equipment, but we could provide volunteers to do the reading, monitoring, and reviewing.

Anyone interested in any aspect of the program should contact Deborah Stroup at 800-392-2614 or 573-522-2766.

Survey about Census 2000 in Missouri available on the Web

Have you been hearing people make comments about Census 2000?

- “I returned my form, but received two calls and three visits from a census worker later.”
- “The Census Bureau’s television advertisements were really good.”
- “There were too many questions on the long form.”
- “More people understood the reason the census is important this year than ever before.”
- “Missouri-specific cable television and radio advertising really helped in our town.”
- “Why don’t they pay everyone \$10 to turn the thing in and forget advertising?”

These are the types of statements often heard in homes, coffee shops, and meeting rooms—wherever people gather and visit—across the state. Now there is an opportunity to formalize reactions to Census 2000 operations in Missouri. A survey is being conducted by Missouri’s statewide Census 2000 Complete Count Committee, chaired by Secretary of State Rebecca M. Cook. Results from the survey will be reported to the U.S. Census Bureau and the Congressional Monitoring Board for Census 2000 when the state committee submits its overall assessment of Census Bureau operations sometime in the next few months.

Most Census 2000 operations are now complete, except for the Accuracy and Coverage Evaluation, a large follow-up survey the Census Bureau conducts to check the accuracy of a census. The first release of data will occur by December 31, 2000. By law, the Census Bureau must deliver state population counts by that date so work toward reapportioning the seats in the U.S. House of Representatives can begin. Missouri is not expected to gain or lose any representation (the current number is nine), but several states are expected to gain or lose one or two seats.

Under the Voting Rights Act, the next major data release is required by April 1, 2001. By that date, states must receive race and ethnic data for small geographic areas to be used for the redistricting process specified in Public Law 94-171. Other information and products from Census 2000 will be released between June 2001 and September 2003.

Any Missouri resident is encouraged to fill out the census survey online at <http://mosl.sos.state.mo.us/census/censusform.html> or to request a paper copy form by contacting the Missouri Census Data Center at the State Library (phone: 573-526-7648 or 800-325-0131, ext. 10).

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Web Watch

1st Headlines

<http://www.1stheadlines.com>

This site provides current events coverage for the U.S. and international media sites. It includes links to individual stories in major newspapers and network news websites. Users can browse by topics or current stories in the business, health, sports, technology, or travel sections.

19th Century Schoolbooks

<http://digital.library.pitt.edu/nietz>

The University of Pittsburgh Digital Research Library sponsors this demonstration project which currently has digitized versions of 30 textbooks online. The books have been selected from the Nietz Old Textbook Collection, which includes some 16,000 volumes. Users of this site can page through books as they would with physical books, and they can do Boolean and simple searching.

Service Leader

<http://www.serviceleader.org>

This site offers a wealth of resources for community engagement and for recruiting and managing volunteers, both on the Internet and face to face.

Snail mail stats:

The average American receives 22 pieces of mail every week.

82 percent of households send packages via the U.S. Postal Service

97.2 percent of households pay bills by mail; only 0.8 percent pay by personal computer.

The average American receives 24 cards per year—seven of which are birthday cards.

In 1970, there were 5,780 stationery stores in the U.S.; in 1999, the number increased to 6,750 stores.

In 1998, the U.S. Postal Service handled 101.7 billion first-class items and 1.16 billion priority mail items.

Source: U.S. Postal Service Household Diary Study and Greeting Card Association



Statewide projects—

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open to all types of libraries. As librarians build their skills and expertise, the knowledge bank will continue to grow.

Marketing Missouri's Libraries: \$77,500

Phase 1 of the statewide campaign included development of a marketing task force, planning and research, a statewide survey of Missouri residents about their library awareness, a survey of Missouri librarians about what they wanted from a statewide campaign, and a statewide marketing conference. Phase 2, for FY2001, includes continuing education, production and distribution of promotional materials and information to all Missouri libraries, and production of a video about Missouri libraries for use throughout the state.

Library Services for Seniors: \$45,000

The State Library will develop a resource manual to help public libraries enhance their services to seniors. The manual will be a tool and a resource for planning and evaluation. As a follow-up to the manual, regional training sessions will be offered throughout the state to help librarians use the manual. Participants at workshops will be encouraged to apply for LSTA Cooperation Grant funds to offset the costs of developing new services and programs. In cooperation with the American Association for Retired Persons, the State Library will establish an award to recognize libraries that work cooperatively with area agencies to implement innovative programs for seniors.

School Libraries Study: (TBA)

A consultant will study the feasibility of a shared automation system for the school districts in Cass County. The Missouri Library Network Corporation will engage a consultant and make arrangements for visits to the libraries. The consultant will investigate the school library automation needs and prepare recommendations. As part of the report, the consultant will project the feasibility for shared automation systems in

other Missouri school libraries.

Cooperation Grants Replication: \$100,000

Several Library Cooperation Grant areas have shown promise for replication. These models will combine the best elements of two or more grant projects for each topic area. State Library staff will confer with the libraries that received the grants, streamline the project plan, and present each program as a separate grant with separate application forms. Possible areas for replication are: 1) Children—serving preschool children and caregivers such as daycares and Headstart programs; 2) Seniors—training senior adults in computer skills; 3) Literacy—connecting libraries with local literacy programs. Timelines, activities, curriculum samples, evaluation forms, and a budget will be built into each replication grant.

Statewide Reference Service: \$140,000

The Missouri Statewide Reference Center was conceived as a reference support back-up service for small libraries in the state which, due to physical size or budget, would not be able to own as extensive a collection as a library in a large metropolitan area. Through this project, the collection of the Kansas City Public Library is made available to librarians across the state. The Center makes it possible for any librarian in Missouri to answer their customer's information needs.

Institutional Grants: \$75,000

This project funds grants to the Missouri Department of Corrections and the Missouri Department of Mental Health. The grant to Corrections helps the agency to build strong libraries in corrections facilities. The grant to Mental Health is intended to improve education of the public about mental health issues in order to remove barriers to social and community inclusion. Funding will be used to purchase computers to place in areas which will be accessible to people with disabilities, support staff, and families. Training for site participants will also be funded.

OCLC FirstSearch: \$350,000

This project will fund a statewide license for OCLC FirstSearch, an online reference service that allows users to search a bibliographic database of 50 million records of holdings worldwide via the World Wide Web. The Web interface permits indexed searching by author, title, subject, ISBN and ISSN numbers, and keywords. The service comes with a link to the OCLC interlibrary loan feature, so that when library patrons find an item they want, they can have their local library staff place a request to borrow it. Allowing librarians and the public to search this database will improve borrowing and lending among libraries and give users a greater selection of materials. It will aid librarians in selecting new items for purchase and reduce duplication of items among library collections in the same region.

Interlibrary Loan Group Access: \$36,000

This project encourages use of the OCLC interlibrary loan system by subsidizing some of the annual costs and usage charges for public libraries. The State Library pays the MLNC service fee, the MLNC affiliate membership fee (\$40/library), the OCLC dial access authorization fee (\$55/library), and OCLC transaction and communication costs for the first 100 requests a library sends over the interlibrary loan system.

CatExpress: \$12,500

CatExpress is a package of cataloging services specifically designed for ease of use by small libraries. Use of CatExpress by small libraries will upgrade the quality of their cataloging records and add those records to the worldwide database maintained by OCLC. Other libraries will then be able to easily identify those items for borrowing to meet the needs of their patrons. This project will pay the \$250 annual MLNC service fee for each library participating in the program.

Videoconferencing Network: \$250,000

The State Library and MOREnet will solicit

proposals from selected libraries to serve as videoconferencing network sites. This network will help the State Library reach its goal of bringing regional training to library staff and trustees. LSTA funds will be used for the needed equipment; MOREnet will ensure the required level of connectivity, training for library staff, and network support. These funds will equip six to seven sites. The State Library's goal is to have 15 sites around the state.

MOBIUS Electronic Resource Planning and Development: (TBA)

The MOBIUS Consortium Office (MCO) will plan and develop a project for licensing electronic resources for libraries of higher education institutions. This project will serve as a model for other collaborative efforts throughout the state involving all types of libraries. The MCO will organize workshops for participating libraries to develop an understanding of issues related to electronic licensing, particularly those pertaining to a consortium. After conducting an assessment of existing electronic resources and current costs, the MCO will develop a plan, including policies and processes, related to the purchase of electronic resources for the consortium or subsets of the consortium.

MOREnet Telecommunications (E-rate) Services Agreement: \$25,000

The MOREnet Services Agreement provides for consulting to public libraries and to the State Library on how to file for Universal Service Fund (E-rate) discounts on telecommunications services. MOREnet staff attend meetings of the E-rate Task Force, monitor FCC and Schools and Libraries Division announcements and rulings, and keep the State Librarian and State Library staff apprised of developments in the program. They study the application process, read the documentation, monitor changes in eligible services, and provide phone consulting to E-rate applicants. When necessary, MOREnet also provides formal training sessions for libraries on the E-rate application process.



V-mail!

Today we have e-mail, but during World War II, Americans had v-mail, a special system to write their soldiers overseas.

The first v-mail was dispatched from New York in June 1942. The purpose of v-mail—"v" standing for victory—was to conserve cargo space for war materials. Letters were written on special paper. At post offices, the letters were opened, censored, and then microfilmed. Each roll of film contained 1,600 letters. Once overseas, the letters were enlarged back to regular size and delivered.

While electronic mail is increasingly popular today (86 percent of online users use e-mail), the post office still delivers more than 197 billion pieces of mail a year—about two pieces a day for every man, woman, and child in the country.

Manual addresses Internet filtering questions

The Oklahoma Department of Libraries (ODL) staff have compiled a manual for public libraries and library governing boards titled *Internet Filtering and Acceptable Use*. It contains information on laws and federal court opinions that may affect filtering decisions as well as information on developing acceptable use policies. An appendix is included with a list of related Internet links and sample Internet policies from selected libraries.

The publication is available on the ODL website for downloading at the following URL: <http://www.odl.state.ok.us/fyi/filtering.htm>

Out-of-cycle LSTA grants

At present, Basic Equipment and Library Cooperation grants are awarded only during the biannual calls for grants. However, the State Library has received requests for consideration of grant awards outside the spring and fall grant cycles. Members of the Secretary's Council on Library Development discussed this issue at their June 11 meeting and approved the following guidelines.

If funds are available, out-of-cycle grant applications will be considered under the following circumstances:

- To take advantage of an opportunity in which timing is crucial
- To undertake a service project in an unserved area in preparation for a vote for library service
- To work with other agencies that will provide matching funds by deadlines not in the State Library's normal grant cycles
- To provide basic equipment to help a library become operational as soon as possible after a disaster, e.g., fire, flood, wind damage
- Situations deemed appropriate at the discretion of the State Librarian

New MOBIUS clusters go "live"

This summer, academic libraries in southwest Missouri and the St. Louis region will begin using direct patron borrowing to



share library materials with each other's students and faculty. The libraries, part of the MOBIUS Consortium, will join the University of Missouri, Washington University, and academic libraries in central Missouri in the Com-

mon Library Platform (CLP) system. The system will include the majority of academic libraries in Missouri.

The CLP uses a single vendor's product (INNOPAC) in all participating institutions, which allows faculty and students to request library materials using any personal computer in any location with access to the Internet. Funding for the statewide consortium has been provided by the Missouri General Assembly.

Libraries in the SWAN Cluster include Crowder College, Drury University, Missouri Southern State College, Ozarks Technical Community College, Southwest Bap-

tist University, and Southwest Missouri State University. Libraries in the St. Louis Red Cluster include East Central College, Jefferson College, St. Charles County Community College, and St. Louis Community College.

Papers highlight digital library and museum projects

In March 2000, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, in coordination with the University of Missouri-Columbia, presented "Web-Wise: A Conference on Libraries and Museums in the Digital World." The conference attracted nearly 200 developers of digital libraries, library and museum professionals, and policy makers. The accomplishments of IMLS grantees and others were highlighted in a series of presentations that have been published by the online journal *First Monday*. This journal is one of the first peer-reviewed journals on the Internet, about the Internet. It expands the frontiers of academic publishing by combining the traditional values of peer review with publication on the World Wide Web. Read the conference papers at http://www.firstmonday.org/issues/issues5_6/index.html.

2000 National Children's Book Week

You never know where you'll end up if you have the right books on your plate! This year's Children's Book Week theme, "Fuel Your Mind," reflects the nourishment that kids get from a healthy, balanced diet of reading. National Children's Book Week is from November 13-19, 2000

Since 1919, librarians, educators, book-sellers and families have celebrated National Children's Book Week during the week before Thanksgiving. For tips on how to celebrate the week, check out the CBC webpage: <http://www.cbcbooks.org/pubs/bwtips.htm>

Top 10 books for teens

Teens voted the following as the top 10 best books of 1999, according to the American

Library Association's TeenHoopla website.

1. *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* by J.K. Rowling. Scholastic, 1998
2. *Holes* by Louis Sachar. Farrar, 1998
3. *Love Among the Walnuts* by Jean Ferris. Harcourt, 1998
4. *The Killer's Cousin* by Nancy Werlin. Delacorte, 1998
5. *I* by Heather Quarles. Delacorte, 1998
6. *Armageddon Summer* by Jane Yolen & Bruce Coville. Harcourt, 1998
7. *I Rode a Horse of Milk White Jade* by Diane Lee Wilson. Orchard, 1998
8. *Petey* by Ben Mikaelson. Hyperion, 1998
9. *Soldier's Heart* by Gary Paulsen. Delacorte, 1998
10. *A Long Way from Chicago* by Richard Peck. Dial, 1998



How many people online?

Africa 2.6 million
 Asia/Pacific.....68.9 million
 Canada &136.9 million
 USA
 Europe83.4 million
 Middle East1.9 million
 South America10.7 million

Worldwide . . . 304.4 million

Source: American Booksellers Association Research Dept., Nua Internet Survey, June 2000

SOS Council approves LSTA projects for FY2001

At its June 11 meeting, the Secretary's Council on Library Development approved the State Library's proposals for expenditure of federal Library Service and Technology Act funds for fiscal year 2001. Appropriations information and program descriptions follow.

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| Total LSTA Grant Award for Missouri | \$2,717,988 |
| Amounts appropriated by the General Assembly for services from the State Library: | |
| State Library personnel and operations: | \$ 607,669 |
| Wolfner Library personnel and operations: | \$ 120,623 |
| Total appropriations: | \$ 728,292 |
| Remaining funds for grants and statewide projects: | \$1,989,696 |
| Total for statewide projects: | \$1,602,000 |
| Total available for competitive grants | \$387,696 |
| Existing commitments: | \$ 22,300 |
| Library Cooperation Grants—FY2001 completion: | \$ 29,000 |
| Library Cooperation Grants—new awards 6/00: | \$ 329,371 |

Writers Hall of Fame inductees—2000

The Writers Hall of Fame, based in Springfield, Missouri, has inducted four authors in its sixth round of awards. New inductees are Don Coldsmith, author of westerns, Emporia, Kansas; Lori Copeland, author of romances, Springfield; C.W. Gusewelle, essayist and columnist for *The Kansas City Star*, Kansas City; and the late Theodor Seuss Geisel (Dr. Seuss).

The nonprofit organization promotes writing through seminars and programs and awards annual scholarships to students to attend a writers camp at Drury University. Since 1995, the organization has inducted 20 honorees, whose photographs, original manuscripts, and memorabilia are displayed at The Library Center in Springfield.



Missouri Writes for Kids!

A new website called Missouri Writes for Kids! introduces young people to Missouri authors and their books. The site lists almost 40 Missouri authors with links to those who have their own webpages.

Also featured on the site is a contest sponsored by Ozarks Public Television. The contest invites young people to read a book by a Missouri author and to write to that author about his or her book. If the letter is read on Ozarks Public Television, the winner receives an autographed book. Young readers can enter the contest online; the entry form is included on the site. Go to <http://www.redrival.com/mowrites4kids/>.

The project is sponsored by the Drury University Department of Education with support from Springfield-Greene County Library and Ozarks Public Television.

Library Services & Technology Act Adaptive Equipment & Basic Equipment Grants – Awarded Spring 2000

| Library | Award | Equipment |
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| Cedar County Library | \$ 17,200 | adaptive equipment—closed-circuit TVs, adjustable tables, computers with 21" monitors |
| Gentry County Library | \$ 5,300 | adaptive equipment—adjustable table, reading machine |
| Mountain View Public Library | \$ 5,540 | adaptive equipment—foot switch, screen magnification software, TTY, reading machine, trackball mouse emulator |
| New Madrid County Library | \$ 3,600 | adaptive equipment—closed-circuit TV, adjustable table |
| Riverside Regional Library | \$ 3,285 | adaptive equipment—adjustable tables, one-hand keyboard, big-keys keyboard |
| Salem Public Library | \$ 1,400 | adaptive equipment—adjustable table |
| Springfield-Greene County Library District | \$ 9,400 | adaptive equipment—screen magnification software, reading machines |
| Adair County Public Library | \$ 938 | scanners |
| Adair County Public Library | \$ 895 | photocopier |
| Barton County Library | \$ 6,274 | computers, printer, scanner |
| Boonslick Regional Library | \$ 23,460 | security systems for main library and one branch |
| Brentwood Public Library | \$ 16,385 | computers, bar code scanner with stand |
| Carnegie (Albany) Public Library | \$ 5,709 | data projector, laptop computer |
| Carnegie (Albany) Public Library | \$ 832 | projection screen |
| Carter County Library | \$ 5,000 | computers, printers |
| Cedar County Library | \$ 9,700 | microfilm reader-printer with digital output |
| Centralia Public Library | \$ 9,700 | microfilm reader-printer with digital output |
| Festus Public Library | \$ 9,700 | microfilm reader-printer with digital output |
| Gentry County Library | \$ 9,700 | microfilm reader-printer with digital output |
| Gentry County Library | \$ 4,145 | Ellison die machine, Ellison embossing system, laminator |
| Hannibal Public Library | \$ 6,948 | server |
| Hannibal Public Library | \$ 763 | scanner |
| Hannibal Public Library | \$ 5,166 | computers |
| Joplin Public Library | \$ 16,122 | phone system |
| Joplin Public Library | \$ 11,557 | computers, printers |
| Kansas City Public Library | \$ 6,750 | large screen televisions |
| Kansas City Public Library | \$ 2,800 | printer |
| Kansas City Public Library | \$ 17,484 | servers |
| Kansas City Public Library | \$ 46,470 | computers |
| Kansas City Public Library | \$ 18,470 | network switches |
| Kirkwood Public Library | \$ 13,977 | copiers, digital copier with fax machine |
| Kirkwood Public Library | \$ 7,860 | laptop computers |
| Lebanon-Laclede County Library | \$ 9,676 | microfilm reader-printer with digital output |

Library

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| Lewis Library of Glasgow | \$ 5,073 |
| Little Dixie Regional Libraries | \$ 8,605 |
| Lockwood Public Library | \$ 1,796 |
| Macon Public Library | \$ 10,321 |
| McDonald County Library | \$ 3,588 |
| McDonald County Library | \$ 4,916 |
| McDonald County Library | \$ 9,293 |
| Missouri River Regional Library | \$ 1,545 |
| Missouri River Regional Library | \$ 12,876 |
| Mountain View Public Library | \$ 500 |
| Oregon Public Library | \$ 4,100 |
| Pierce City Public Library | \$ 2,030 |
| Polk County Library | \$ 1,300 |
| Polk County Library | \$ 4,971 |
| Poplar Bluff Public Library | \$ 9,929 |
| Pulaski County Library District | \$ 9,701 |
| Pulaski County Library District | \$ 9,501 |
| Putnam County Public Library | \$ 4,700 |
| Riverside Regional Library | \$ 1,356 |
| Riverside Regional Library | \$ 1,635 |
| Salem Public Library | \$ 2,526 |
| Salem Public Library | \$ 200 |
| Salem Public Library | \$ 2,263 |
| Salem Public Library | \$ 9,700 |
| Sedalia Public Library | \$ 2,248 |
| Springfield-Greene County Library District | \$ 42,500 |
| Springfield-Greene County Library District | \$ 11,201 |
| St. Louis County Library District | \$ 94,650 |
| Texas County Library | \$ 11,313 |
| University City Public Library | \$ 3,250 |
| University City Public Library | \$ 3,172 |
| Valley Park Community Library | \$ 909 |
| Webb City Public Library | \$ 9,701 |
| Webster County Library | \$ 36,764 |
| West Plains Public Library | \$ 1,250 |
| West Plains Public Library | \$ 1,050 |
| Willow Springs Public Library | \$ 2,024 |
| Wright County Library | \$ 3,200 |
| Wright County Library | \$ 2,850 |

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| Total Adaptive Equipment awards: | \$ 45,725 |
| Total Basic Equipment awards: | \$614,988 |
| TOTAL | \$660,713 |

Award

Equipment

computers, typewriter, cordless telephone, scanner, color printer
laser printer, computers, scanners, printers
computer, printer
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
CD server
computer, CD server
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
laminator
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
fax machine
computers
computer, printer
laminator
computers
microform reader-printer with digital output
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
computers, printer
server
fax machines
computer, printer
laminator
printer
computer, printer
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
computers
computers, server
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
computer
computers
computers
motorized scooters
CD server, DVD drive
printer, scanner
microfilm reader-printer with digital output
laptop computers, data projector, switch, power supply, cabling and installation hardware
digital camera, scanner
data collection computer
computer, printer
data projector
printers

New site offers donations for non-profits

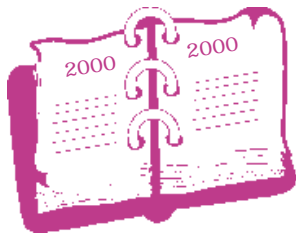
As a nonprofit organization, what if you were paid for each minute your supporters were online? This is now possible through a new company called onGiving.com. Launched by a team of socially minded technology and business development entrepreneurs, onGiving.com is based in Columbus, Ohio. The company is privately held and financed by private investors.

By using the power of the Internet to raise money, onGiving.com creates a revenue stream for an organization through a downloadable application called the GiveBar™. Installed on the Web user's computer hard drive, the GiveBar™ displays targeted advertisements and is activated each time a user establishes an Internet connection with the GiveBar™ in full view. For each minute a user spends with an open Internet connection and the GiveBar™ in view, onGiving.com pays 85 percent of the advertising revenue directly to the nonprofit organization of the user's choice—up to 40 hours per month, per user.

To find out more, visit <http://www.ongiving.com> or e-mail onGiving.com at info@ongiving.com



Upcoming Events



September is Library Card Sign-up Month

September 8
International Literacy Day

September 12
Secretary's Council on Library Development Meeting
Kirksville

September 17-19
International Association of Metropolitan Libraries Conference
St. Louis

September 23-30
Banned Books Week

October 4-6
Missouri Library Association Annual Conference
Excelsior Springs

October 10-15
Oral History Association Annual Conference
Durham, NC

October 15-21
Teen Read Week

October 19-21
Missouri Folklore Society Annual Conference
Fulton

University of Missouri-Columbia Fall 2000 Courses

For an enrollment form, Internet requirements, textbook and fee information, visit <http://www.coe.missouri.edu/~cpe>.

| <i>Course Number & Title</i> | <i>Dates</i> | <i>Course Instructor</i> |
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| Kansas City | | |
| Q314-2 Reference Sources & Services | August 23-December 6 | Vicky Baker & Laurie Hathman |
| Q380-4 Practicum | August 22-December 4 | Gillian Allen |
| Q380-5 Practicum: School Library Media Specialist | August 22-December 4 | Linda Esser |
| Q443-1 The Academic Library | August 24-December 7 | Pam Drayson |
| St. Louis | | |
| Q301-2 Introduction to InformationTechnology | August 23-December 6 | Bill Rodgers |
| Q301-3 Introduction to InformationTechnology | August 24-December 6 | Bill Rodgers |
| Q312-2 Principles of Cataloging & Classification | August 24-December 7 | Kathy Nystrom |
| Q314-3 Reference Sources & Services | August 21-December 4 | Anne Watts |
| Q380-4 Practicum | August 22-December 4 | Gilliam Allen |
| Q380-5 Practicum: School Library Media Specialist | August 22-December 4 | Linda Esser |
| Q405-1 Multimedia Production | August 23-December 6 | Dale Guthrie |
| Q445-2 Special Libraries | August 22-December 5 | Connie Wolf |
| Springfield | | |
| Q313-1 Managing Collections & Access | August 21-December 11 | Lynn Cline |
| Q314-4 Reference Sources & Service | August 23-December 13 | Willa Garrett |
| Q380-4 Practicum | August 22-December 4 | Gilliam Allen |
| Q380-5 Practicum: School Library | August 22-December 4 | Linda Esser |
| Fall Internet Courses | | |
| Q310-7 Introduction to Web Development | August 22-December 5 | Jane Howland |
| Q315-2 Management of Information Agencies | August 19-December 4 | Gillian Allen |

Course Number & Title**Dates****Course Instructor**Q316-2 Administration of School
Libraries/Media CentersAugust 22-
December 5

Linda Esser

Q410-12 Introductory Seminar

August 30-
September 27

Allyson Hensley

Q410-13 Adolescent Literature

August 19-
December 7

Sarah Howard

Q410-9 Networks & Tele-
communicationsAugust 21-
December 4

Feng-Kwei Wang

Q425-1 Government Publications

August 19-
December 7

Anne Watts

New books celebrate Library of Congress history & architecture

Two books about the Library of Congress have been published to coincide with the Library's Bicentennial this year—*America's Library: The Story of the Library of Congress, 1800-2000* by James Conaway and *The Library of Congress: An Architectural Alphabet*.

The Library was founded in 1800 with the primary mission of serving the research needs of the U.S. Congress. During the past two centuries, the collections have evolved into the largest repository of knowledge in the world and are accessible to all Americans. The Library maintains a collection of nearly one million books, maps, manuscripts, photographs, motion pictures, sound recordings, and digital materials in some 460 languages.

Conaway's book is a lively account filled with an immense cast of characters ranging from presidents, poets, journalists, and members of Congress to collectors, artists, curators, and eccentrics. The author focuses the Library's history on the 13 men who have been appointed by presidents to lead the Library of Congress. He investigates how the Librarians' experiences and contributions, as well as the Library's collections, have reflected political and intellectual developments in the United States.

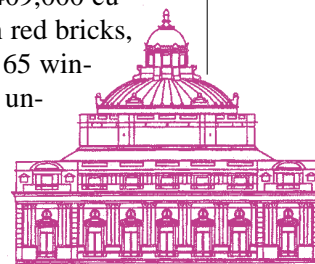
The book is available for \$39.95 in major bookstores and from the Library of Con-

gress Sales Shops (credit card orders: 202-707-0204).

The *Architectural Alphabet* is devoted to the first of the three Library of Congress buildings. The Thomas Jefferson Building, completed in 1897 and named for the president in 1980, is a landmark in the nation's capital as well as one of the country's great architectural treasures. The book opens doors into many of the extraordinary spaces and features that rest within the 600,000 square feet enclosed by the building's historic walls. Visitors must allot many hours to see all of this landmark's 409,000 cubic feet of granite, 22 million red bricks, 500,000 enameled bricks, 2,165 windows, 15 varieties of marble, untold numbers of classical columns, and millions of items.

The book offers an illustrated tour of the Library's art, architecture, and sculpture, created by some 50 artists and artisans. From A (for arch) to Z (for zigzag), it explores the Jefferson Building's unusual architectural details—egg-and-dart molding, helixes, jambs, pilasters, quoins, spandrels, tripods, and vaults. Illustrations and descriptions are joined by a colorful alphabet drawn from the Library's collection of rare books and manuscripts.

The compact 64-page, hardbound book, with 29 color photos, is available for \$17.95 in major bookstores and from the Library of Congress Sales Shops (see phone number above).



New book features Missouri authors

Memories & Memoirs includes essays, poems, stories, and letters by contemporary Missouri authors.

Among the 78 authors represented in the volume are Maya Angelou, Walter Barden, David Clewell, William B. Faherty, Edith McCall, Speer Morgan, Naomi Shihab Nye, Richard Rhodes, Ntozake Shange, Robert J. Stewart, Gloria Vando, and Mona Van Duyn.

Edited by Sharon Kinney Hanson, a Jefferson City freelance author, the 335-page book is available at a special discount for libraries of \$15.00 plus \$3.90 s/h from: The Mid-America Press, Inc., PO Box 575, Warrensburg, MO 64093-0575; phone: 660-747-3481

Send a letter in braille

HotBraille at <http://www.hotbraille.com> claims it is the first and only web-based braille transcribing service. By using the site's "Send braille" feature, registered users can compose an address and a message on the website; HotBraille then transcribes the message and sends it to the provided addressee. There are some guidelines, e.g., letters may be no longer than four braille pages, which are explained in the frequently asked questions section of the site. Letters can be sent internationally, and HotBraille will process letters in 19 different languages. The service is free, and the privacy of each message is protected.



Web resources for teens

Teen Resources on the Web: A Guide for Librarians, Parents and Teachers provides quick access to over 900 websites on more than 90 teen-related topics, including career guidance, computers, homework help, financial aid, health, hobbies, research, sports, e-zines, reviews on music films and books, and more.

These websites have been selected for their value and interest to young people. organized by subject, each entry contains the title of the site, the URL, and a concise description of the content. The book features a dedicated webpage offering site names and current links to all websites listed in the book (available as long as the book remains in print).

Two additional chapters describe some of the major features of the Internet, and three appendices explain the rules of etiquette, offer advice on safety in cyberspace, and provide URLs for more than 900 U.S. colleges and universities.

The author, Mimi Mandel, is special projects director for the National Organization for Children, a non-profit organization for the advancement of the health, education, and welfare of children through the use of technologies. She is also the author of the four-book series, *Cyberspace for Kids*,

which reviews thousands of outstanding educational websites.

The book costs \$17.95 and may be ordered from Highsmith Press at 800-558-2110.

Design workshops for library staff

This fall, the State Library will sponsor "Essential Design Principles for Library Staff," a series of workshops to be held in St. Louis, Independence, and Springfield. The free workshops, a component of the State Library's marketing campaign, will be open to staff from all types of libraries.

Participants in the workshops will acquire a working knowledge of good design and learn how to create documents, both print and web-based, that present the best image for their libraries. They also will be introduced to design considerations for brochures, newsletters, posters, advertisements, bookmarks, reports, annual reports, and website content.

The State Library will mail further workshop information and registration forms to libraries in July; online registration for these workshops will be also be possible.

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